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Mr. G Harisarvottama Rao :—" May I know if it is not a recognized school ? "

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan :—" It is recognized, but it gets no grant from the Government."

Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao .—" May I know if it cannot be penalized by the withdrawal of the recognition ? "

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan :—" It is not yet considered necessary to take such a step ; but if managements go on excluding people, that step will have to be taken eventually."

Expansion of elementary education in South Kanara.

* 302 Q.—Mr. K. R. Karant : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) the total number and names of villages in South Kanara district and also in the Presidency with a population of 500 and above ;

(b) the number out of these which were provided with elementary schools till 1st April 1929 and the number which remain yet to be provided for ; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to provide elementary schools in such school-less areas during the current year ?

A.—(a) The hon. Member is referred to the village statistics of the census of 1921, copy of which is available in the Chief Secretariat Library.

(b) The hon. Member is referred to table No. 40 of supplemental statistics in Volume II of the Public Instruction Report for 1927–28. Similar information for 1928–29 is not yet available.

(c) The question of opening additional schools from Provincial funds has been deferred pending the results of an enquiry now proceeding with regard to the amalgamation and consolidation of schools.

Encouragement to the organization of Indian orphanages.

* 303 Q.—Mr. J. A. Saldanha : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased—

(a) to place before the House a list of the Indian orphanages among whom the budget grant for them was distributed in 1927–28 and 1928–29 with the number of orphans in each and the total, and such Indian orphanages as have applied for and are entitled to the grant in 1929–30 ; and

(b) to state whether the budget grant was advertised and notified to the public ; and

(c) how and what attempts were made to encourage the organization of Indian orphanages ?

A.—(a) Lists of Indian orphanages with the number of pupils in them on whose behalf boarding grants were sanctioned in 1927–28